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Manager of Circulation. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of December, A. D. (Seal.) EDWIN S. CLARKSON, Notary Public.

CLOAKROOM AND GALLERY.

beyond question.

The salars are fixed by the bill as follows: Speaker, \$10,000 a year, Senators, Reproceduaives and belegates, \$7,000 a year. It is drawn to be effective March 4, 1897.

DEPRESENTATIVE GROW of Pour EPEESINTATIVE GROW of Founspirama is one of the oldest men in
the House. He was in Congress in
1850. Delegate Fiven from Oklahoma is only thirty four years old and
looks much conger than he is. At a slort
distance be herdly appears to have reached
liss reasority. The two mide on interesting study as they sait in the rear of the
distance between the congertion of the congerties. ber yesterday and talked together

LATHANIEL C CRUTCHFIELD, who was for ten years here as Spaker Carisle's clerk and later as journal clerk of the House and was about the Capitel last year, has not re-turned this session. There was impury for him yesterday at the room where he for-merly worked and finally his address was

French, the file clerk.

"Oh, that makes no difference," replied Mr. French, "He is as well known at Louisville as Ash Caruth." Mr. Caruth was the Louisville member in

B. MEYER introduced a bill to pay to certain producers of sugar eight-tentls of a cent a panel to make up for their losses under the repeal of the McKinler bounty. The sun appro-priated is \$1,085,156.06. The sugar-makers to be benefited are nearly all resi-fects, of Louisians.

dents of Louisland. BOND LAW DEFECTIVE, Nebruska Officials Disturbed Over

Nebruska Officials Disturbed Over a Decision.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 11—Au opinion rendered at the request of tee. Releasably Attorney General Churchill caused consternation amena incoming State officials today. It is in effect that the law possed by the last lephtrare allowing State, county or city officers to give bonds farmished by guarantee companies is unconstitutional. It has been remainly reported that State Treasures elect Meserve proposed to be prepared for any emergency by presenting to the governor two bonds one executed by a guarantee company and another signed by cursens of the State.

It has claimed by supporters of the moning administration that the State would have no right to pay the fee demanded by guarantee companies in such a case, and that the treasurer imased cannot afford to pay the fee, because it would amount to more than but sciery.

Hands Valued at \$50,000 Each. Hands valued at \$50,000 Each.
Salem. Mass. Dec. 11.—An altachment has been recorded at the courthouse against the Thomson-Houston Electric Company for \$100,000, in an action of tort, brought by Louis M. Packer of Lynn. Tuls is an Stion to recover for the loss of beta hands while employed in the works. Packer recently brought suff against the General Electric Company for \$50,000 damages, but was non-suffed as the action was brought against the Wrong party.

Young Petersburg Couple Elope. Petersburg, Va., Dec. 11.—The Atlantic Coast line train No. 35, south bound, which left here hast night, carried from this place an eloping couple who went to Weldon, N. C., to have the nuntial knot led. They were Gracle L. Alsop, aged sixteen years, daughter of Mrs. M. P. Alsop, and Frank L. Dunn, aged twenty-six years, operator for the Norfolk and Western Kaifroad Company in this place.

GOVERNOR-ELECT PINGREE has no nounced one part of his program to be the reduction of street car fares and inter changeable transfers in every city in the

State of Michigan THREE-CENT in which these public conveyan STREET CAR ces are in opera ation, no matter FARES. what the motive

power might be.

One feels like putting a good deal of faith in this promise, because, as mayor of Detroit, Mr. Pingree has ac complished the very object for which he now proposes to contend throughout the State. The corporations, of course, fought bim tooth and nail, but he threatened them with a revocation of their franchises and the operation of the street railways by the municipality, and they gave in. The result is that Detroit today rejoices in

three-cent fares and interchangeable trans

Why should not the people of Washing ton be equally favored? It is an admitted fact that the operating expenses of street railways have been reduced marly 50 per cent by the introduction of electricity, and experts have declared that with this as motive power a handsome profit can be made even on a three-cent fare. ands employed horsepower, the most expensive of all, they declared large tridends on five-cent tares. It follows, therefore, that their profits must be vastly increased now, with the cheapest motive power yet invented and with a

argely augmented traffic-In no other city are street railway favored as much as they are in Washing ton. Their oldigations to the municipality Limited will meet tonight, at their head-are comparatively trilling. They make little or no recompense for the valuable franchises accorded them. While it i true that we have here an excellent street. railway service-the Belt and Eckington lines always excepted -it is also true that the companies find it wholly to their advantage so to maintain it. Their profits as a result are so rich that the public may well lay claim to a part of these in the ain, if three-cent fares are found profit able in Detroit they will be even more so in this city with its much larger popul

lation. It is a subject that deserves considera tion at the hands of Congress which is to Washington what Pingree and the city council are to the Michigan metropolis.

N THE closing paragraph of his admirable address as president of the National Civil Service Reform League, Hon-Carl Schurz said: "Civil service reform has carried position.

REFORM.

against apparently SERVICE overwhelming odds, vance its force has

after position, at first

the resistence weaker." The remarkable fact about the progress of this reform ON CHARLES J. BOATNER of Louisi fact about the progress of this reform integradence, though he is not all wars given full creek for it by his friends. It was he who encountered decretery Minton a few we in which the many decretes the whole matted of appointing and a few we in which the progress of this reform is that it has been accomplished in a comparatively short period. In two decretes the whole matted of appointing a few we in which gave The politicians who fain would have adhered to the spalls system as best saited to their selfish purposes, have been forced by an imperious public sentiment to now eneficiary under the law, as it would to the popular will. True, every inch to get a bok at it. The incomment of tested and much territory remains yet the member's name was africally written and diegrols. The fricing declared he knew Mr. Bonner too well in believe that one clearly reason, nevertheless, to feel satisfied with what they have accomplished up to the present time. There need be no doubt but that in due senson they will achieve the fell measure of their landable amtathir.

To any one that does not look at civil ervice reform from a purely selfish point of view its commonsense nature and business-like principles and practices must commend themselves. And even the most ingrained spoilsman, if the abstruct question were to be put to him "do you not think the business of the government should be conducted according to recognized business methods." would answer in the affirmative. What he objects to, of course, is the application of these methods in the concrete. If a banker were approached with the request to appoint a man to a responsible position without first ascertaining his fitness for the place, be would look upon the person preferring it as either a knave or a fool. The same is true of every other kind of business. Then why should it not be of equal force in the case of the government? As to the corrupting influence of the spoils system there can be no difference of opinion. Those who still adhere to and advocate it do so because of that very fact. Their number, however, is growing beautifully less by degrees, and soon every class of government employes, in whose case the competitive examination is feasible, will be brought under its rate. Those who have done so much for the cause in the affairs of the national government should now turn their attention to the States in many of which the enemy is still strongly entrenched. It will be no easy matter to distodge him. It cannot be done in a year,

because it is right, and right always wins in the end. SEAL'S LIFE HISTORY.

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Prof. Jordan's Lecture Before the

Prof. Jordan's Lecture Before the Geographic Society.

David Starr Jordan, Ph. D., entertained the National Geographic. Society and a very large number of invited muests last night at the United States National Museum with a fecture entitled, Maika, a Story of the Mist Islands."

Prof. Jordan's style became familiar to the people of this city some years ago, when nated at the secture last eventual were six Julian Pauncefote and his family, Postmaster General Wilson and Altoney General Harmon.

The lecture covered the history of scalls and seal fishing, and was illustrated by many excellent sketches of scenes in St. Paul's Island and Tolster Paul, off the Aleguan Islands.

Reported Mine Accident Denied. San Diego, Cat., Dec. 11.-The dispatch sent out from Yuma early this morning that a number of men were killed and in jured by an explosion and cave-in at the Queen Mine, in Ogilby, Ariz, proves to be without foundation. The mine is work-ing as usual, and beyond the falling of a intitle waste earth in one of the levels, no accident of any kind has occurred.

City Brevities COL, TRACEY INVESTIGATING

street portheast. No arrests were recorded yesterday at the Ninth precinct.

Station-keeper Cook of No. 8 is detained at his home on account of sickness. The Golden Rod Pleasure Club will give a grand ball on December 17. Water mains have been laid along Thirteenth street southeast, from I to K.

Mr. E. L. Houston, of 721 Sixth street
northeast, has gone to New York.

The Eutler Zouaves are holding their an-musi fair at 1719 Pennsylvania avenue. A new gate will be put up at the Florida avenue crossing of the Baltimore and

Dead trees are being removed from G sreet, between Thirteenth and Four-

Engineer Pohlayer, of No. 10, has gone in a three days' hunting trip near Knox-Dr. C. C. Burton is putting up a stable in the rear of his residence, 810 H street

Mr. David J. Cotter and family have

Mr. W. M. Hitton, No. 2215 Virginia avenue northwest, is entertaining friends from Delaware.

Mr. Thomas Ro 'ey, of Charlotte, N. C., is visiting his ' her, John Buckey, of the National Ho ...

Glaziers and painters were at work yes-terday on the south sky-light of the new postoffice building. A dramatic cantata will be given at the Mi. Jezzed Bagtist Church, colored, De-cember 15 and 16.

Three arrests were recorded at No 5 station in the twenty-four hours ending at 9 a.m. resterday. Mr. Herbert W Lewis, of the Board of Children's Guardans, is spending a few days in La Plata, Md.

The inaugural separate committee on budges is already looking about for de-signs for inauguration medals and badges. The work of paving M street north cast, between Third street and the junction with Florida avenue, has been completed. On account of a leak, the water pipe at the corner of Ninth and H streets portheast was unearthed and repaired

yesterday. Mr. A. C. Talbert, of Fifteenth and H streets, is putting up a house and stable on Fifteenth street, near the corner of G northeast.

Alfred M. Miller, a student, was arrested ast night for (ast riding by Bicycle Police-nan Duyall, and left \$5 collateral at the cond precinct.

The standing committee for 1897 will be appointed at a special meeting of the District Epworth League which will be held December 21. It is stated that the dispatch boat Dolphin

new at the navy yard will the here ell winter and in the early spring will sail for South America. Henry Massey, colored, while crossing M street, near Thirty-first street, yesterdar, thad his foot run over by a wagon, but no bones were broken.

Mr. Edwin Farbour, who has been in Nashington for several days, attending o business interests, returned last night o his home in New York.

Louis Practice and Horace Burwell, we ads, were arrested yesterday and held it the Eighth product charged with the helt of a quantity of walnuts.

Mr. Edmond Cowell, a contractor, residing at 630 I street northeast, who lately fell from the Union depot in George town, is improving rapidly. own, is improving rapany.

Mr. Nathan Parkins, No. 300 C street sortheast, his returned to the city after a stay of several months in Platadelphia.

nd other Pennsylvania cities Two banquets were in progress at Freund's parfors last night, one by Hope Lodge, No. 20, of Massas, and the other by Interior Council, National Union.

Mission Day will be observed with spe-cial service in all the M. E. churches in the city tomorrow. There will be a gen-eral excharge of pulpits by the pastors. A fight on Crow Hill between Dariel Marshall and Karinru Robinson last night was interrupted by Policeban Training, but Marshall was locked up at preciber No. 2 Recording Secretary Frank T. Israel of the District Epworth Lougue is collecting data for the Epworth directory which will be published at the beginning of the

new year. Potemae Commandery No. 3, Knight-templar, held a special orielaye last night it Masonic Hall, in Georgetown, and the dustrious order of the red cross was ed

A dangerous obstruction to vehicles and elestrians is a manifele in the roadway to the corner of Twelfth street and South arolina avenue southeast. It rises a sot and a balf above the grade.

Hon. Addeson Maupin, a member of the Virginia legislature from the Richmond district, who has been visiting his brother Mr. W. C. Manpin, No. 116 Fourth street southeast, returned to his home resterday Mr. Joe Veazey, son of Commissioner Venzey, of the Interstate Commission, and derk of the House Committee on Railroads. neturned to the city yesterday from Ver ont, where he has been on a social

A special meeting of the Epworth League of the District has been called to fill the vacancy in the office of vice-presi-dent and take action on the resignation nt and take action on the resignation Mrs. R. M. Moore, superintendent of unior work.

A concert will be held in the Linthleun A conservation be added to be Landoum Hall, in Georgetown, Wednesday inject for the benefit of the Sunday school of Holy Trinity Church. Among the special feat-ures presented will be a children's chorus of 200 voices.

Twenty-five arrests were cade in the list precinct jesterday and the station lotter showed a longer record than has been made in that-precinct for severa months. The cause of it all was a raid on the push cart venders.

The meeting of the Central Relief Committee of the District, which was to have been held yesterday, has been postponed antil Monday next, by which time it is expected that some of the special commit-tees appointed may be ready to report.

A stylishly attired man, somewhat under the influence of liquor, fell from a Fourteenth street cable car, about 10 o'clock last night, near the New York avenue ast hight, near the New York avenu-urve. He was but slightly injured and clused to give his name to the conductor. A meeting of the missionary societies, trustees, and pastor of Wesley M. E. Chapel will be held this evening at that church, to meet Rev. Dr. S. L. Baidwin, recording secretary of the National Mis-sionary Society of the Methodist Episco-

Detective Sotton, of the First precinct resterday recovered a bicycle lamp which was stolen from a wheel at Tenth and D streets on Tucsday night last. The officer has the thief under arrest and if the owner of the lamp can be found, his property will be returned to him.

A stray horse and buggy was found last night on Eleventhstreet northwest, between L and M, by Edward Johnson, who lives at 1118 11th street northwest, and taken o precinct station No. 2. Later in the evening the team was claimed by its owner, Mr. George L. Sheriff. Roger o' Meara, with a party of prominent chizens of Pittsburg and Allegheny city,

are registered in the city. They are offi-cials of the police and public works departments of their respective cities and are on a tour of inspection of similar departments of municipal organization here. Mr. Crittenton will address children to-

ar. Crittenton will address children to-day, at 2:30 o'clock, at the Metropolitan M. E. Church. Mr. Crittenton has a peculiar charm for children, his talks to them else-where having been attended enhusiastical-ity by the little folks. Two committees from Baltimore waited on him yesterday, asking that he return to that city for another season of his interesting work.

Fiorida Contractor Killed.
West Paim Beach, Fla., Dec. 11.—F. M.
Cabot, a well-known contractor, residing
at Jupiter, this county, was run over and
killed by a freight train at that place
this morning.

Children's Guardians Must Explain the Sturges Case.

He Will Ascertain Their Authority to Take the Child and Probe the Charges of Cruelty Against Mildred's Foster Parents-Evidence Heard From Both Sides.

For the first time in its existence the For the first time in its existence the troard of Children's Guardins is undergoing an authorized investigation. The case in hand is that of Mildred Sturges, he chaid recently taken from her foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Sturges, by Agent Lewis of the board, as exclusively loid in The Morning Times of yesterday. The investigator is Col. John Tracey, asperintendent of charities. Agent Lewis called at the sepond the child was attending several days ago and took her away with him. It as said that the tot was returned to her mother, while Mrs. Sturges was charged with eruel treatment of her adopted claim.

FOSTER PARENTS PROTESTED.

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A protest was immediately made by the foster parents to the board, but the latter refuser to return the child. Thereupon Mr. and Mrs. Storges appealed to the superintendent of charities.

Col. Tracey said last night that the matter was now in his hands, but that it would be several days before he is ready to report, Mr. Lewis has formshed him with several manes of persons who will swear that Mrs. Sturges was cruel to Middred. An equal or greater number of sitnesses have expressed their willingness to testify to the kindness of the foster matter, and to describe from what an excellent home the girl was taken. Mr. Sturges is a cierk in the Penson Office. His wife is a member of the washington Humane Society.

COL. TRACEY'S STATEMENT.

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COL. TRACEY'S STATEMENT.

"I am empowered to investigate the actions of the board," said Col. Tracey, to a Times reporter, "under the statute incorporating the board itself. That act provides that the superintendent shall have investigating and reporting powers over the organization."

"The matter has now been called to my attention and I will hear all the evidence from both sides before submitting a report. The act establishing the board gives the members control of the wards turned over to it by the police court indges until they are eighteen years of age.

"The only real question for me to *stabilish is whether the taking of the child was in the proper manner. I have nothing to do with the sentimental or equivable side of the transaction. That must be decaded in the courts."

Mit Lewis is at present out of the city, the conversions that the looks county.

Mr Lewis is at present out of the city, it is uncerstood that the sole grounds given for his action are the charges of tracity against Mrs. Starges.

TOO MUCH HIGH CHURCH.

Rev. Dr. Ward Resigns From the Rectorship of St. Michael's.

Rectorship of St., Michael's, flav. W. E. L. Ward, rector of St. Michael's and All Angers' Epissopial Church, resigned from his office last sanday and Thursday returned with his family to his old force in Newtonigh. N. Y. His successor tas not yet been maned, and the rectorship will doubtless remain without a permanent arcapant for fully a nouth.

Mr. Ward spraing a mild surprise on the Lemors of his parish last Sanday morning, when, instead of delivering Lis usual choice, he replied to a request from the vestry that he follow in the efficial follows: I have been also been also because path he tendered the separating from the beaten path he tendered the separating and gossip at the careful and control of the surrounding products and the braten path he tendered to a security in the latter was a deal of whispering and gossip at the careful and gossip at the careful and gossip at the careful and gossip and the parent path he tendered the security and gossip at the careful and gossip at the careful and gossip and the parent path he tendered in security and gossip at the careful and gossip at the careful and gossip and the parent parent per gossip at the careful and gossip and the parent pare set to accept the rodge that. It, however, that Mr. Ward had caste a test to get and there is probably sent but that he would have gone

Y event, whole trouble, some I the vistry say, in the fact that the rector was a churchiam, while the purish is known gh charchman, while his perish is known is a low church.

Hev. Clarence W. Espham, who preded Mr. Ward by several mechanism of having commanion at 1 o'clock every other Sunday norming taken the alterant Sunday norming rayer would be evistrated. Mr. Ward anged the prigram to communical a very unday at 11 m ml. and moraling prayer at o'clock. The vestry protested, and the voir's action of Sunday was the result. s action of Sunday was the result arish is, therefore, left willion a

the parish is, therefore, net without a feeter, item, citison, one of the wardens, and another of the vestry called upon I shop satteries yesterday afterison to discuss the temporary alling of the position. Several local rectors were mentioned, but so selection was made. It is possible that the rector of St. Alban's will have marge of the pulpit temporarity.

Mr. Wardennetost, Mostaei's suprember 29, last. From the beginning there was more or less of a friendly rivairy lettween the low and high elements of the church. As soon as he bearned that his resignation was necepted he collected his belongings and returned to his old former in the Empire. nd returned to his old home in the En

PIPER'S MYSTERIOUS DEATH.

Police Still Puzzled and the Corone: is investigating. The body of Thomas W. Piper, who died resterday at Emergency Hospital, as told in The Evening Times, remains in the

told in The Evening Times, remains in the hospital morgue.

The police of the Third precinct, who brought Mr. Piper to the inspital, are investigating the circan-stances surrounding his death. As yet they have been mable to clear up the mystery, but developments are hoped for today.

Last night Mrs. Piper called at the hospital and saw the body of her mistand. Coroner Hammett stated last night that he had leatned Mr. Piper was subject to apopte the first and it was his opinion that an attack of that nature had, sused has death.

The coroner said that he would not

that an attack of that hatter had auxed his death.

The coroner said that he would not issue a certificate, however, until he had received a report from the police.

Frands in Georgia Election.

Alibera, Ga., Dec. 11.—In the senset to-day Senator Yancey Carter, Populist, made reply to the resolution canning on him to name the electors to whom he referred as being corrupt. Senator Carter declined to give any names unless an investigating committee were appointed and given foll powers to conduct an investigation.

Receipts at the Treasury. The receipts from internal revenue yes-terday were \$526,191, from customs, \$366,-114, and miscellaneous, \$13,351. The na-tional bank totes freetved for redemption amounted to \$655,082.

WHY LADIES LIKE COFFEE

Though Many Admit It Hurts Them. Many ladies have so great a liking for offee for breakfast that the meal seems lat and unsavory without it, but the nuddy complexion which is almost a sure ecompaniment, is a great trial and the greation is seriously discussed many and many times over in one's mind, whether it a possible to give over the coffee and gradualty get back the lost complexion, or teep on with the coffee and get on with the bad skin and make the best of it. The disordered stomach and liver some times bring on more series troubles. To quit the use of coffee is the only true re-lief; it contains the same poisonous alka-loids as tobacco, strychnine and morphine, although less in volume. One can use the delicious but food-drink, Pestum Cercal, at

meals and never miss the coffee. It browns
the deep seal-brown of Mocha and takes on
the rich golden-brown of old Java when
cream is added. It is made by the Postum
Cereal Co. Lim., of Battic Creek, Michigan, purely and wholly of the nourishing
grains intended by The Creator for man's
subsistence. The pungent taste so well absistence. The pungent taste so well shosseence. The pangent taste so well iked in strong coffee is retained in Postum.

Nature quickly recovers when coffee is left off and the natural health coffee is used in its place. Healthful sleep is again enjoyed and nerves, stomach, liver, bowels and heart cease their complaining when the disturbing cause is withdrawn These are great big live facts worthy the attention of any one who cares for the exquisite fun of being perfectly well.

Tempting Topics FIRST OF ITS KIND HERE FOR TEA-table lalk.

Take these special offerings under family consideration. They tell of big values-big savings-big satisfaction for today's buyers at the "big

Last Day of the Young Men's Suit Sale.

Price is atoning for pattern-Be cause they weren't plaids, our plaine cause they weren't plaids, our plainer soits didn't seil reactly gut w the price, and now they're flying out. Today's your very last chance. Don't stop to wonder, for it's a good purchase to make. Come back and get your money if you repent it. But you won't. They're fine qualities—genteel patterns—in sizes to fit small men and big boys—wearers of 28 to 35 breast measure. Single and Double-Breasted Sack Suits—that have been \$8.00, \$6.50

Boys' Reefers-

Nearly a hundred styles—countthem all—ranging from \$1.48 to \$12. Ranging from goodness to bestness—including a score of exclusive novelties that nobody eise offers under a couple of dollars more. Here's where spot cash cats a figure with a manufacturer—and we can give you today—

Recfers worth \$2.50 for \$1.48. Recfers worth \$3.00 for \$1.98. Reefers worth \$6.00 for \$4.98.

Girls' Reefer Top Coats-Two lots of plain and fancy Scotch Mixtures 75 bargains for every one is a bargain fashionable and fine.

\$4.50 ones, \$3.29. FOR

SATURDAY \$6.00 ones, \$3.75.

Misses' Top Coats-Fish Black, Navy Bloe, Tan and Green Kerseys-Mixed Lish Friezes-Two-toned Farls Novellies, made up with box front, wide-smind effect-worth all they have been selling for. There's just a handred of them. Take your choice...... \$5.00

Ladies' Capes—

Made of Black Kersey, cut right length, with right sweep, as good value as you ever saw for \$5. A day's choice for ...

See These Skirts-

50 Scotch Mixed Skirts that hang right, and are worth \$2 Spe-cial pile. 98C

Saks & Company,

"Saks' Corner."

Just luck.

Remember, we were sailing \$2, \$2,50 and \$3 Derbys and Fedoras last week for \$1 ? There are 2500 men who'll testily they're bargains, We find bargains. We find we've got a few left-about enough to last a day, Some of each shade, shape and size, Take 'em today for 'em today for

Last day



those Young Men' Saits that we had to sacrifice 'cause they were not plaids, If you're not set on having a "lond" Suit this is your chanceand the last. Worth 88, 810 and 812.50 if any Saits ever were. Any of you men who

of the \$6.50 sale o

Saks & Company,

"Saks' Corner."

MODERATE TARIFF MEASURE.

The Republicans So Describe the Proposed New Bill.

"A moderate measure" is the character-stron which leading Republicans of the House give to the new tariff bill which it is proposed to frame this winter in an interpation of an extra session of congress. It is explained what is desired is a bill which will provide a sufficient revenue o'cover the deficit now existing, furnishing proper protection to home industries. It is pointed out that conditions have con-siderably changed since what is known as the McKinley hill became a law and that rates of duty that were justified then are innecessary at present.
It is stated for example that the tin

inte industry, which was enormously implated by the duty of two cents a ound imposed in the McKinley law, is now stimulated by the duty of two cents a nound imposed in the McKniley law, is now well estamashed that a return to the former rate is unnecessary. The sugar schedule promises to cause more embarrassment than any other in the till.

Some of the Republicans of the Ways and Means Committee say that the three states which produce sugar, Louisiana, Texas and Nebraska, gave their vote last month to Mr. Bryan, and this, in connection with the position which the members of Congress from Louisiana and Texas have always taken with respect to a taniffull, will be, it is asserted, a strong influence against protecting this industry any further than the necessities of the case require.

The agricultural schedule will probably be fixed at the former rate of duty, while the woolen schedule, it is said, will receive a sufficient protection to satisfy the manufacturers. The cotton and steel and iron schedules are not likely to be changed. The present ad valorem system will be changed to a system of specific duties.

The bill, it is said, will contain a pro-

duties.

The bill, it is said, will contain a provision that goods in bond will, when taken out, pay the rate of duty in force and not the lower rate, at which they were originally brought to this country. An arrangement will be made whereby dates will be assigned to certain interests to be

We shall not wait until January or later to reduce our stock of boys' clothing. We're frank to confess that we've too much on hand-because the weather has been so backward. We would rather cut now when you will appreciate it all the

more because of the need-when they are worth double to you in service what they will be worth at the approach of spring. We've made very decided reductions-have cut profits horribly-

but we shall not have much clothing when you're through, and that will be a satisfaction that will be worth the sacrificed profits.

Choice of 150 boys', 7 to 15 years, suits which have been selling for \$2, for

\$1.00 each. small and large soft knot sort— szes from 3 to 8 years—braid and elegantly made—soid for \$3 and \$4-to go at

\$1.98 each.

Finest Boys all-wool chinchilla rectors, 9 to 15 years, which have been \$6.50, reduced to \$4.98 each.

\$2.95 each. Soft thick chinchilla ulsters— sizes 15 to 19 years, also in sizes 7 to 14 years—in bice and dark grey—takes the toy in from head to foot-has been \$5.50-reduced to \$3.98 each.

Bogs' pure all-wool suits-sless 4 to 15 years-in light and dark mixed and plaid cassimeres and cheviots-thoroughly shrank and well made-have been \$3.50 and \$4-reduced to

98c each.

Boys' fine plush polo caps with slide bands—satin lined—reduced from 75c. to

Specials for Saturday.

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on the Wharf. A horse and cart belonging to James laton were lost in an odd manner yester

Caten were lost in an odd mainer yester-day morning. The cart was driven by Thomais brook, who was engaged in nam-ing dirt to the wharf at the lost of Thorty-third street.

He backed his team close to the edge and had gotten off the wagon when the borse became unmanageable and began backing.

Before Brook could stop it to the hore and cart rolled off the wharf. The horse being held down by the weight of the cart, was unable to get to the surface, and perished. The cart has not as yet been recovered. Sheriff's Murderer to Hang. Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 11.—A special from Zebulon to the Constitution says that Taylor Delk was convicted there today of the murder of Sheriff Gwynn. This is the second conviction. There was no recommendation to mercy, and he will be sentenced to hang. Hisson is undersentence of death for the same crime.

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